

SENATE RESOLUTION 57

By Gilmore

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Nathaniel McFarland, Jr., of Nashville.

WHEREAS, we were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Nathaniel McFarland, Jr.; and

WHEREAS, Nathaniel McFarland was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, born on September 16, 1948, Nathaniel McFarland, Jr., was the oldest of three children born to Nathaniel McFarland, Sr., and Sylvester McFarland; and

WHEREAS, educated in the Wilson County school system, Nathaniel McFarland studied civil engineering at Tennessee State University for two years before being drafted into the United States Army, where he served with distinction as a computer operator on a missile base; and

WHEREAS, after returning to school to study drafting at Vol Tech, Mr. McFarland later became a valuable employee for a number of organizations during his career, including Metro Public Works, TVA Hartsville, Barge Wagoner Design, and Goodwyn, Mills and Cahill Engineering; and

WHEREAS, Nathaniel McFarland was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Mr. McFarland enjoyed the loving companionship of his devoted wife, Valerie McFarland, and was the proud father of Shaundra Woodmore and doting grandfather of Arielle and Hannah Woodmore; and

WHEREAS, he will be mourned but fondly remembered by his brother Vester (Minnie) McFarland; his nieces, Denise McFarland and Macie King; his nephew, Vester McFarland, Jr.; his uncle, Bryant Bashaw; and a number of extended family members and dear friends; and

WHEREAS, Mr. McFarland was preceded in death by his parents, Sylvester Roberson and Nathaniel McFarland, Sr., and his brother Claude McFarland; and

WHEREAS, Nathaniel McFarland leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor the memory of Nathaniel McFarland, Jr., reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Nathaniel McFarland, Jr.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.